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**UTILITY  
PATENT APPLICATION  
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Attorney Docket No.

MAC - 203

First Inventor

Kelly Molenaar

Title

Premium Performance Ball Joints and  
Systems

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(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

**APPLICATION ELEMENTS**

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

ADDRESS TO:

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1. ☒ Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)  
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. ☒ Applicant claims small entity status.  
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. ☒ Specification [Total Pages **13**]  
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- ☒ Descriptive title of the invention
  - ☒ Cross Reference to Related Applications
  - ☒ Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
  - ☒ Reference to sequence listing, a table,  
or a computer program listing appendix
  - ☒ Background of the invention
  - ☒ Brief Summary of the Invention
  - ☒ Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
  - ☒ Detailed Description
  - ☒ Claim(s)
  - ☒ Abstract of the Disclosure
4. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets **3**]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages **16**]
- a. ☒ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☐ Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))  
(for continuation/divisional with Box 18 completed)
  - i. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**  
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s)  
named in the prior application, see 37 CFR  
1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. ☐ Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

7. ☐ CD-ROM or CD-R in duplicate, large table or  
Computer Program (Appendix)
8. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission  
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Form (CRF)
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    - ii. ☐ paper
  - c. ☐ Statements verifying identity of above copies

**ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS**

9. ☒ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
10. ☐ 37 CFR 3.73(b) Statement ☒ Power of  
(when there is an assignee) Attorney
11. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
12. ☒ Information Disclosure ☐ Copies of IDS  
Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 Citations
13. ☐ Preliminary Amendment
14. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)  
(Should be specifically itemized)
15. ☐ Certified Copy of Priority Document(s)  
(if foreign priority is claimed)
16. ☒ Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122  
(b)(2)(B)(i). Applicant must attach form PTO/SB/35  
or its equivalent.
17. ☐ Other: .....

18. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment, or in an Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76:

☐ Continuation ☐ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)

of prior application No.: \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Prior application information:

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- Applicant claims small entity status.
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- See 37 CFR 1.27

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Large Entity Small Entity

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101	710	201	355	Utility filing fee	370.00
106	320	206	160	Design filing fee	
107	490	207	245	Plant filing fee	
108	710	208	355	Reissue filing fee	
114	150	214	75	Provisional filing fee	

SUBTOTAL (1) (\$) 370.00

**2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES**

Total Claims	Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
7	-20** = -0-	-0-	-0-
2	-3** = -0-	-0-	-0-
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103	18	203	9	Claims in excess of 20	
102	80	202	40	Independent claims in excess of 3	
104	270	204	135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid	
109	80	209	40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent	
110	18	210	9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent	

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105	130	205	65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath	
127	50	227	25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet	
139	130	139	130	Non-English specification	
147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination	
112	920*	112	920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action	
113	1,840*	113	1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action	
115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month	
116	390	216	195	Extension for reply within second month	
117	890	217	445	Extension for reply within third month	
118	1,390	218	695	Extension for reply within fourth month	
128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month	
119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal	
120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal	
121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing	
138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding	
140	110	240	55	Petition to revive - unavoidable	
141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive - unintentional	
142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)	
143	440	243	220	Design issue fee	
144	600	244	300	Plant issue fee	
122	130	122	130	Petitions to the Commissioner	
123	50	123	50	Processing fee under 37 CFR 1.17(q)	
126	180	126	180	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt	
581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)	40.00
146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))	
149	710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))	
179	710	279	355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)	
169	900	169	900	Request for expedited examination of a design application	

Other fee (specify)

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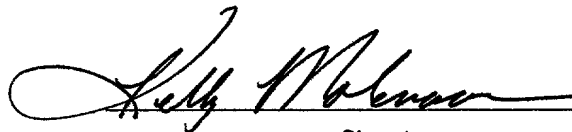
Atty Docket Number **MAC - 203**

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I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

January 15, 2002

Date



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Kelly Molenaar

Typed or printed name

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Invention: **PREMIUM PERFORMANCE BALL JOINTS AND SYSTEMS**

I hereby certify that the following correspondence:

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